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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). (:)

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch); 10051639

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated March 18, 2002 please charge the fee of \$130.00 for the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.27 to Deposit Account No. 20-0668 of Texas Instruments Incorporated.

Please find enclosed the Declaration/Power of Attorney (1 page), an Assignment with Form PTO 1595 and formal drawings for the above-referenced case. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required. This sheet is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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